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SUBJECT: COMMERCIAL COUNTERFEITING

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1. AS NOTED REFTEL (B) THE GOA DELEGATION TO THE MTN IN GENEVA IS FULLY STAFFED AND INCLUDES SENIOR REPRESENTATIVES AND DECISION-MAKERS IN MATTERS SUCH AS OUTLINED REFTEL (A).

2. THUS, REFTEL (A) IS TIMELY AND THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN ABLE TO GET THE APROPRIATE SECRETARY IN THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND CONSUMER AFFAIRS (DEPUTY SECRETARY-CUSTOMS) TO FOCUS ON THIS ISSUE. THAT DEPARTMENT WILL SEND AN IMMEDIATE TELEGRAM TO GENEVA ALERTING ITS DELEGATION TO THE MATTER AND INSTRUCTING THE DELEGATION TO SUPPORT THE INCLUSION OF AN AGREEMENT ON COUNTERFEITING IN THE MTN. THE GOA HAS THUS BEEN MADE AWARE OF THE HIGH PRIORITY THE UNITED STATES PLACES ON LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THIS ISSUE AND THE FACT THAT BENEFITS TO ALL WOULD FOLLOW FROM AN AGREEMENT AND THAT SUCH AN AGREEMENT WOULD HARM NO LEGITIMATE INTERESTS. AN APPROPRIATE SUMMARY FROM THE DEPARTMENT'S INSTRUCTIONS (REFTEL A) HAS BEEN FURNISHED TO CUSTOMS, THE SUBSTANCE OF WHICH IS BEING INCORPORATED INTO ITS INSTRUCTIONS TO THE GOA DELEGATION IN GENEVA.

3. AS TO PRESENT LAW IN AUSTRALIA AND PARTICULARLY WHETHER FORFEITURE EXISTS IN OTHER AREAS OF LAW, AND IF SO, REQUIRED PROCEDURES, FREQUENCY OF USE ET AL. THE EMBASSY HAS BEEN INFORMED THAT PROTECTION OF PROPERTY RIGHTS INCLUDING INDUSTRIAL PROPERTY RIGHTS FALLS WITHIN THE PURVIEW OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL; RELEVANT LAW/S WILL BE REVIEWED WITH THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT AND A RESPONSE WILL BE FORTHCOMING AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

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